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SELECTMEN'S REPORT

OF THE

RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES

OF THE

TOWN OF BRADFORD,

FOR

THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1869,

WITH THE

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN AND POOR FARM.

TO WHICH IS ANNEXED THE REPORT OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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STREETS AND EXPENSES

TOWN OF BRADFORD

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SELECTMEN OF BRADFORD, MARCH 1, 1869.

The Selectmen charge themselves as follows :

To amount of taxes committed to T. P. Jones,	
for collection,	\$8,963.56
cash in hands of Treasurer,	4,190.04
uncollected, in the hands of M. W.	
P. Peaslee,	111.06
uncollected, in the hands of Stephen Austin,	2,267.48

1868.

March	18.	To cash hired of O. S. Cary,	150.00
	21.	Betsey Messer,	300.00
	23.	Stephen Dowlin,	50.00
	30.	received for 2 cows sold from	
		poor farm,	125.00
		L. W. Barnes,	3.00
April	1.	hired of Henry T. Allison,	100.00
	4.	Page W. Cofran,	400.00
	6.	E. W. Dodge,	240.00
	6.	G. B. Hanchett,	200.00
	7.	of D. G. Peasley, for cow,	60.00
	7.	hired of Stephen Dowlin,	70.00
	8.	Charles O. Bailey,	115.00
	8.	of G. W. Ewings, 1 pair oxen,	272.50
	22.	hired of A. S. Howlett,	125.00
	22.	Stephen Dowlin,	225.00
	25.	Ebenezer Smith,	50.00
May	5.	Ebenezer Smith,	75.00
	20.	Benjamin Wiggin,	100.00
	22.	John W. Marshall,	60.00
	25.	Harriet E. Ring,	225.00
June	1.	Wm. O. Heath,	200.00
	2.	Wm. O. Heath,	70.00
	2.	John W. Marshall,	50.00

NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATE LIBRARY

	20.	John W. Marshall,	200.00
	23.	Margaret O. Neal,	50.00
July	1.	David P. Flanders,	1200.00
	9.	Cummings Pierce,	200.00
	2.	C. P. Pike,	200.00
	25.	John H. Ewins,	680.00
Aug.	29.	R. F. Wheeler,	300.00
Sept.	26.	Ebenezer Smith,	100.00
Nov.	16.	Stephen Dowlin,	100.00
	16.	Joseph W. Marshall,	100.00
	20.	B. R. Morse,	150.00
	28.	Wm. O. Heath,	350.00
Dec.	4.	To cash received of State Treasurer,	
		savings bank tax,	141.66
		railroad tax,	241.61
		literary fund,	43.20
		U. S. bounty,	200.00
	11.	To cash of Agent of poor farm,	100.00
	11.	hired of Christina Marshall,	235.00
	16.	Hollis L. Blood,	75.00
	24.	Isaac E. Sanborn,	200.00
	26.	Joshua Eaton,	300.00
1869.			
Jan.	22.	To cash for steer from poor farm,	36.00
	26.	hired of Allen Cressey,	150.00
Feb.	4.	of James Emery, due on settlement to April 1, 1868,	25.52
	4.	town of Hillsborough, bank tax,	56.10
	4.	hired of Frank H. Marshall,	50.00
	8.	support of county paupers,	61.75
	10.	hired of Isaac E. Sanborn,	140.00
	10.	Joshua Eaton,	150.00
	11.	Lucy W. Morrill,	140.00
	13.	Ruthy Benton,	200.00
	16.	Franklin Smith,	500.00
	17.	Augusta C. Morse,	500.00
	17.	John Folsom,	600.00
	19.	Jonathan Cheney,	1000.00
	22.	Ebenezer Smith,	75.00
	22.	of Agent of poor farm,	94.27
	22.	of J. F. Buswell, balance due	

	for use of town hall,	18.00
24.	T. P. Jones, interest on taxes,	31.00
24.	Jesse Carr, use of town hall from April 1, 1868, to Feb. 23, 1869,	37.12
24.	Town of Warner, bank tax,	87.00

Amounting in all to the sum of \$26,915.87

The Selectmen credit themselves as follows :

1868.

March 9.	By cash paid Almond Stiles, breaking roads,	\$6.42
14.	Polly Durrell, amount due on note,	206.00
14.	M. W. Tappan, retaining fee,	25.00
14.	D. Moody Morse, record books,	15.00
14.	E. W. Dodge, services investigating affairs of selectmen of 1863,	3.75
14.	Thomas Gordon, breaking roads,	2.28
14.	Almond Stiles, “	10.52
14.	Nelson R. Forsaith, “	15.48
16.	John Hoyt, “	42.37
18.	Paul Sawyer's estate, amount due on note,	239.79
21.	T. M. Craig, breaking roads,	5.82
23.	Hiram Nichols, “	2.40
23.	Hiram Nichols, plank and labor on highway,	66.00
24.	John Stevens, amount due on note,	484.50
24.	B. W. Sanborn & Co., record books and stationery,	17.98
24.	Wm. Butterfield, printing town reports,	90.00
24.	Fred Martin, amount due on three notes,	1,424.77
25.	George H. Brown, amount due on note,	201.66
25.	Frank F. Wheeler, amount due on two notes,	425.89
26.	Daniel F. West, breaking roads,	12.11
28.	Stephen Dowlin, “	5.76
28.	C. R. Nichols, services as Superintending School Committee, in Union District No. 1,	7.00
28.	Jonathan Cheney, part pay on note,	25.00
28.	Francis M. Farley, “	18.00

	28.	Ethan Piper, breaking and repairing roads,	8.02
	28.	James Emery, balance of salary as agent of Poor Farm,	125.00
	28.	James Emery, breaking roads,	8.35
	30.	Matilda Colby, amount due on note,	115.38
	30.	Matilda Colby, part pay on note,	185.00
	31.	Rial Rowe, amount due on three notes,	1,052.07
April	6.	J. W. Sawyer, breaking roads,	4.68
	7.	Prescott Colby, " "	31.40
	7.	B. F. Abbott, " "	12.48
	8.	William O. Heath, amount due on note,	201.56
	9.	D. D. Butman, for 1 pair oxen,	215.09
	10.	Alden W. Rowe, breaking roads,	15.20
	11.	J. H. Ames, services as auditor for 1867,	3.00
	11.	George L. Warde, breaking roads,	9.32
	13.	William B. Fifield, keeping transient pauper,	2.25
	14.	Susanna B. Holmes, part pay on note,	48.00
	15.	John Andrew, breaking and repairing roads,	10.50
	17.	Pierce Sargent, labor on highway,	4.20
	20.	James M. Sawyer, amount due on note,	114.69
	25.	John Peasley, damage done sheep by dogs in 1867,	6.00
	29.	Zadoc Lord, amount due on notes,	124.93
May	2.	Almond Stiles, for board and care of Joseph Stiles,	12.00
	13.	Nancy Spaulding, part pay on note,	200.00
	25.	William Trow, breaking and repairing roads,	12.31
	26.	George B. Andrews, breaking roads,	22.00
	26.	Amanda Smith, part pay on note,	40.00
	26.	J. J. Blaisdell, service as auditor,	3.00
June	8.	William D. Sawyer, breaking roads,	4.25
	8.	R. F. Wheeler, " "	12.14
	12.	Hiram Blanchard, amount due on notes,	1,079.73
	12.	Joshua Eaton, for cash paid town of Keene, for support of Polly Burchstead and three children,	50.00
	15.	Benjamin Wiggin, amount due on note,	83.82
	16.	Margaret O. Neal, part pay on note,	50.00
	23.	John Hubbard's estate, amount due on note,	156.10

	27.	Charles P. Pike, plank for bridge,	10.44
	27.	Pierce Sargent, breaking roads,	2.08
	27.	J. M. Hoyt, labor on highway,	34.04
	27.	Page W. Cofran, plank and stringers for bridge,	24.56
	27.	Mary Cofran, part pay on note,	25.00
	27.	Page W. Cofran, "	100.00
July	4.	S. M. Dinsmore, "	6.00
	9.	Thomas B. Palmer, part of school money,	37.00
	10.	S. B. Holmes, part pay on note,	100.00
	13.	Ebenezer Smith, part of school money,	55.00
	14.	J. C. Bailey, coffin and robe for William Warde,	13.50
	25.	Parker B. Craige, part of school money,	26.00
	25.	James J. Hoyt, labor on highway,	1.06
	25.	John Howlett, 2nd, part of school money,	33.00
	25.	Horace M. Dow, "	58.00
	31.	E. M. Bailey, "	167.00
Aug.	10.	S. B. Holmes, part pay on note,	100.00
	12.	Matilda Colby, "	30.00
	20.	Charles P. Pike, amount due on note,	201.66
	26.	E. W. Dodge, "	245.60
	26.	Savory T. Cheney, plank and labor on bridge,	7.25
	29.	J. M. Hoyt, labor on highway,	7.00
	29.	Ebenezer Smith, amount due on note,	51.06
	31.	John Currier's estate, part pay on note,	100.00
Sept.	5.	Albert Eaton, part of school money,	40.00
	7.	Andrew Gault, county tax,	903.89
	8.	Stephen Dowlin, amount due on note,	71.76
	8.	Jonathan Ewing's estate, amount due on note,	190.26
	16.	Page W. Cofran, amount due on note,	309.49
	19.	William Marsh, Jr., part pay on note,	20.00
	26.	H. L. Blood, amount due on two notes,	217.69
	29.	Daniel F. West, gravel for road,	13.00
	29.	R. F. Wheeler, labor on highway,	85.73
Oct.	8.	Margaret O. Neal, amount due on note,	425.34
	13.	Lois Messer, support of self and family,	10.00
	13.	Town of Keene, support of Mrs. Birch- stead and family five weeks,	9.65
	13.	Joseph W. Marshall, part of salary as agent of Poor Farm,	100.00

	20.	Joel Severance, amount due on three notes,	482.00
	21.	Thankful Fox, Jr., part pay on note,	100.00
	31.	C. M. Cheney, plank and stringers for bridge, and labor on same,	22.74
	31.	B. F. Davis, digging grave for William Warde,	2.00
	31.	" breaking roads,	12.10
Nov.	5.	William Severance, Weld D. Proctor's school money,	8 79
	6.	Benjamin Wiggin, amount due on two notes,	208.00
	11.	Joshua Eaton, cash paid witnesses, on case of L. B. Davis, vs. Bradford,	6.00
	11.	L. B. Davis, damage done horse by breaking through bridge,	139.00
	14.	Orra C. Sargent, school house tax in Robert Colby's district,	9.89
	14.	Blood & Peasley, building road,	1,416.85
	16.	Sally Martin, amount due on note,	133.58
	16.	J. W. Warde, amount school money,	67.14
	16.	Frances M. Farley, part pay on note,	71.00
	23.	Almond S. Howlett, amount due on three notes,	400.19
	24.	Charles H. Morse, building culvert,	11.00
	27.	Edward Cressey, labor on highway,	3.00
	28.	Moses R. Hoyt, "	7.00
	30.	Stephen Dowlin, amount due on four notes,	495.47
Dec.	3.	S. M. Dinsmore, amount due on notes,	102.60
	4.	Peter Sanborn, State tax,	2,206.25
	4.	B. W. Sanborn & Co., stationery,	1.62
	7.	S. B. Holmes, part pay on note,	160.00
	10.	William D. Sawyer, amount of school money,	80.44
	11.	Nancy Spaulding, amount due on note,	135.10
	12.	Thomas B. Palmer, amount school money,	40.07
	14.	John Currier's estate, part pay on note,	50.00
	21.	Ebenezer Smith, amount due on three notes,	285.16
	24.	City of Manchester, support of Mrs. Wm. H. Bonner,	30.00
	25.	Silas E. Foster, amount of school money,	94.89

	26.	Dr. C. M. Fiske, medical attendance William Warde, and Joseph Stiles,	18.00
	30.	M. J. Collins, school house tax in district No. 8,	73.41
1869.			
Jan.	4.	Ira Smith's estate, part pay on note,	90.00
	11.	Frances M. Farley, "	18.00
	22.	Stephen Austin, service as constable,	8.87
	22.	" " collector,	38.00
	23.	E. M. Bailey, part of school money,	100.00
	23.	George Brockway, overtax on non-resi- dent land,	3.74
	26.	O. S. Cary, amount due on three notes,	475.34
	28.	Horace M. Dow, balance of school money,	103.28
	29.	William O. Heath, amount due on note,	72.76
	30.	Albert Eaton, balance of school money,	76.10
Feb.	1.	John W. Marshall, for support of Lucy Marshall,	57.00
	1.	D. G. Chadwick, board of selectmen and horses,	25.69
	1.	D. G. Chadwick, board of E. W. Dodge, since last settlement,	4.45
	1.	D. G. Chadwick, keeping transient paupers,	4.50
	4.	John Howlett, 2d, balance of school money,	70.29
	9.	Simeon Stevens, amount due on note,	349.72
	10.	Mason Cressey, labor on highway and repairing grave yard fence,	5.00
	11.	John S. Davis, part pay on note,	191.00
	12.	Albert Woodbury, "	12.00
	16.	Ebenezer Smith, balance of school money,	78.50
	16.	Asa Abbott, amount due on note,	1,386.51
	16.	S. D. Smith, breaking roads,	7.15
	16.	J. L. Bailey, painting town house,	5.50
	17.	Thomas M. Craige, breaking roads,	4.72
	17.	Albert Eaton, "	11.28
	17.	Savory T. Cheney, "	3.00
	17.	John Folsom, part pay on note,	6.00
	18.	Parker B. Craige, balance of school money,	54.98
	18.	H. C. Felch, services as committee in Union District No. 1, and books fur- nished,	8.10
	18.	H. C. Felch, breaking roads,	2.75
	18.	H. C. Felch, wood delivered to Lois Messer,	2.50
	18.	Cummings Pierce, labor on highway and bridge,	30.51

19.	Frank L. Crane, breaking roads,	25.38
19.	“ “ plank for bridge,	3.64
19.	J. C. Jones, amount due on note,	109.60
19.	Mason Cressey, breaking roads,	10.75
19.	Jonathan Cheney, part pay on note,	13.00
19.	Mark W. P. Peasley, amount of school money,	71.31
19.	John F. Davis, support of watering trough,	3.00
20.	D. Moody Morse, services as town clerk,	30.00
20.	D. G. & A. Peasley, support of watering trough,	2.00
22.	E. H. Eaton, by request of committee,	4.00
22.	George W. Eaton, for plank and breaking roads,	8.75
22.	J. F. Buswell, for table for office,	3.00
23.	Joseph W. Marshall, part pay as agent of Poor Farm,	25.00
23.	E. L. Sweatt, breaking roads,	9.98
23.	Henry Piper, “	4.10
23.	J. C. Bailey, support of watering trough,	3.00
23.	“ repairing check-list board,	.25
23.	M. W. Tappan, attorney fee,	27.00
24.	D. & W. A. Carr, goods delivered to Lois Messer,	4.71
24.	D. & W. A. Carr, for books per order of Superintending School Committee,	6.24
24.	T. P. Jones, services as collector,	89.63
24.	T. P. Jones, abatements made on T. P. Jones' book,	75.26
24.	Non-resident highway receipts,	91.52
24.	Abatements made on Stephen Austin's book,	8.17
24.	Cash paid Horace M. Dow, breaking roads,	15.15
24.	Morse & Blanchard, goods delivered to Lois Messer and Geo. Sargent,	23.04
23.	Hiram Blanchard, services as Treasurer,	30.00
24.	Joshua Eaton, services as selectman, and cash paid out,	149.92
24.	H. K. Martin, services as selectman, and cash paid out,	92.00
24.	R. F. Wheeler, services as selectman, and cash paid out,	58.35
24.	Lois Messer, for support of self and family,	5.00

24. George Jones, use of pasture,	50.00
24. L. Littlehale, board of selectmen and horses,	17.50

Amounting in all to the sum of	\$22,458.28
Amount of cash in hands of treasurer,	3,201.32
Amount uncollected on T. P. Jones' book,	896.78
" Stephen Austin's book,	243.37
" M. W. P. Peasley's book,	111.06
Amount outstanding orders,	5.06

Amounting in all to the sum of which balances the account.	\$26,915.87
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Respectfully submitted,

JOSHUA EATON,	} <i>Selectmen</i> <i>of</i> <i>Bradford.</i>
H. K. MARTIN,	
R. F. WHEELER,	

LIABILITIES.

The town is indebted as follows :

To Phebe H. Marsh, amount due on note,	\$134.28
William Marsh, Jr.,	27.20
Israel Dodge,	405.37
James Brown,	449.66
John H. Ewings,	952.81
John H. Ewings,	222.74
John H. Ewings,	704.48
John H. Collins,	458.13
Elizabeth Martin,	496.93
Cummings Pierce,	357.30
Cummings Pierce,	118.09
Cummings Pierce,	207.73
James Emery,	239.17
James Emery,	335.69
James Emery,	111.50
James Emery,	1,288.62
Ellen Parker,	187.20
John S. Davis,	992.18
Paul Paige,	260.47
Paul Paige,	190.09
Deborah Paige,	65.11

To Caroline L. T. Carr, amount due on note,	109.05
Thandful Fox, Jr.,	406.71
Samuel S. Cook,	450.04
Samuel S. Cook,	165.90
Samuel S. Cook,	109.00
James Wright,	259.20
Enoch C. Adams,	323.59
Enoch C. Adams,	254.50
Benjamin Cram,	129.40
Benjamin Cram,	109.43
Osmond Bailey,	384.84
Osmond Bailey,	380.24
B. F. Heath,	510.92
Ira Smith, three notes,	1,660.65
James D. Prescott,	253.50
James D. Prescott,	63.35
Lucy Jane Andrews,	63.35
Benjamin R. Ayer,	132.70
Wm. H. Sawyer,	253.30
Wm. H. Sawyer,	120.48
Jonathan Cheney,	3,383.70
Nathan R. Marshall,	626.93
Mary Cofran,	108.68
Hugh M. Craig,	183.30
Stephen Cheney,	318.55
Lydia Brown,	515.62
Susanna B. Holmes,	19.42
Albert Woodbury,	98.86
Matilda Colby,	312.30
Eben U. Wright,	604.51
Mrs. S. E. Leach,	362.00
Mrs. Frances M. Farley,	611.71
John W. Marshall,	182.98
John W. Marshall,	58.61
John W. Marshall,	106.55
John W. Marshall,	62.79
John W. Marshall,	208.37
John W. Marshall,	52.24
Frank W. Jones,	61.05
Oliver Perkins,	647.07
John S. Kittredge,	117.53
John S. Kittredge,	250.51
Stephen Folsom,	236.02

To Stephen Folsom, amount due on note,	117.48
Stephen Folsom,	106.18
William Ayer,	234.85
Hiram Farrington,	1,414.78
J. C. Jones,	110.73
J. C. Jones,	133.47
Mrs. S. S. Cook,	179.43
John Johnson,	231.02
John Folsom,	403.76
John Folsom,	601.30
Elizabeth A. Bickford,	345.83
Elizabeth A. Bickford,	517.02
Ira A. Brown,	115.24
Almond Stiles,	115.49
Barnum B. Barnes,	172.41
Benjamin Carter,	149.19
Mrs. Mary A. Stevens,	229.32
Hollis L. Blood,	75.94
J. P. Cram,	1,316.41
Wm. O. Heath,	777.06
George W. Paige,	111.45
Benjamin Wiggin,	409.34
John Gillingham,	169.34
Dorcas Farson,	222.27
Dorcas Farson,	217.43
Ira Plummer,	217.90
Allison W. Cheney,	278.79
Charles H. Morse,	108.32
Hannah B. Simons,	108.10
John Currier Estate,	613.91
David P. Flanders,	162.60
David P. Flanders,	587.21
David P. Flanders,	1,248.00
Mrs. Almira F. Davis,	215.73
Harriet B. Dowlin,	48.30
Eugene Bailey,	186.96
Benjamin F. Davis,	106.43
Samuel Sargent,	159.57
Willard W. Simons,	53.13
Betsey Messer,	314.10
G. B. Hanchett,	210.83
Henry T. Allison,	105.50
Charles O. Bailey,	121.06

To Harriet E. Ring, amount due on note,	235.36
R. F. Wheeler,	309.10
Joseph W. Marshall,	101.75
B. R. Morse,	152.52
Christina Marshall,	238.14
Isaac E. Sanborn,	202.23
Isaac E. Sanborn,	140.48
Allen Cressey,	150.87
Franklin Smith,	501.25
Joshua Eaton,	303.25
Joshua Eaton,	150.52
Frank Herbert Marshall,	50.23
Lucy W. Morrill,	140.46
Ruthy Benton,	200.60
Augusta C. Morse,	501.17
Ebenezer Smith,	75.10
Outstanding debts, estimated at,	250.00

Amounting to the sum of \$40,500.41

Amount due the Town.

Cash in the hands of the Treasurer,	\$3,201.32
Taxes uncollected in the hands of T. P. Jones,	896.78
M. W. P. Peasley,	111.06
Stephen Austin,	243.37
Due from the United States Government,	2,222.00
T. K. West, Jr.,	12.00
City of Concord, bank tax,	18.70
Manchester, do.	16.83
Town of Newbury, support of Lois Messer,	32.06

Amounting to the sum of \$6,754.12

Which being deducted from the above amount of liabilities, leaves the town indebted in the sum of \$33,746.29 which is more than last year, by \$96.35.

JOSHUA EATON, } *Selectmen*
H. K. MARTIN, } *of*
R. F. WHEELER, } *Bradford.*

Your Committee have examined the books of the Selectmen, and find them in good order; have compared their vouchers, cast their figures, and find them all correct.

JOHN W. MORSE, } *Auditing Committee.*
J. J. BLAISDELL, }

*Town of Bradford to Joshua Eaton, for services as Selectman
and cash paid out.*

1868.		Dr.
March	14. To 1 day making return of ratable polls,	\$1 50
	14. Cash paid expenses,	75
	16. 1 day to Newbury, to hire man to carry on poor farm,	1 50
	21. 1 day drawing juror, and appointing treasurer and collector,	1 50
	24. 1 day self and horse to Washington, to hire man to carry on poor farm,	2 50
	25. 1-2 day hiring agent for poor farm,	75
	27. 1-2 day at poor farm, selling stock,	75
	28. 1-2 day at office, giving orders,	75
April	4. 4 days taking inventory,	6 00
	6. 1 day taking inventory,	1 50
	11. 5 days making taxes,	7 50
	18. 6 days making taxes, dividing school money and making school house tax in district No. 8,	9 00
	20. 1 day making school house tax in Rob- ert Colby's district,	1 50
	20. Horse to Robert Colby's,	50
	23. 2 days making return of inventory for 1867-8, and bank stock,	3 00
	25. 1-2 day at office, in relation to bonding the town debt,	75
	25. Cash paid for P. O. stamps,	42
May	11. 1-2 day examining records, on pauper case,	75
	15. 1-2 day obtaining legal advice, on pau- per case,	75
	16. Moving pauper to poor farm,	2 00
	16. Cash for goods for Betsey Bagley's child,	73
	17. 1 day at office, making return to State treasurer,	1 50
	25. 1-2 day on pauper case,	75
	30. 1 day at office and on new road,	1 50
	30. Cash paid expense,	65
June	3. 2 days at Keene, on pauper case,	3 00
	3. Expense to Keene,	10 00
	12. 1-2 day examining Wheeler bridge,	75

Aug.	14.	1 day examining road,	1 50
	15.	1 day to Newbury, to pay note,	1 50
	18.	Cash paid to transient pauper,	3 00
	19.	1-2 day on pauper case,	75
	29.	1-2 day at office,	75
Sept.	1.	1-2 day, self and horse, to east part to examine road,	1 50
	9.	1-2 day, self and horse, to examine bridge near Robert Colby's,	1 50
	14.	Journey to Washington, on Sawyer case,	1 50
	19.	1-2 day at office, drawing juror,	75
	26.	1-2 day at office,	75
October	8.	1-2 day on new road,	75
	10.	1-2 day to Henniker, on horse case,	75
	10.	Horse and wagon to Henniker,	75
	12.	1 day making check list and warrant,	1 50
	12.	Cash paid expenses,	75
	13.	1 day entering receipts and giving orders,	1 50
	13.	Cash paid expenses,	75
	24.	1-2 day on new road,	74
	27.	1-2 day on new road,	75
	31.	1-2 day correcting check list,	75
Nov.	4.	Self and horse to Levi Davis' on horse case,	1 50
	7.	1-2 day on new road,	75
	9.	Self and horse, notifying witnesses on Davis horse case,	2 50
	10.	Self and horse to Henniker, on horse case,	2 50
	10.	Cash paid expenses,	56
	11.	Self and horse at L. B. Davis', on horse case,	2 50
	12.	1-2 day measuring new road,	75
	28.	1-2 day at office,	95
	30.	1-2 day examining collector's books,	75
Dec.	4.	At Concord, to pay State tax,	1 50
	4.	Cash paid fare and expenses,	3 00
	21.	Self and horse to Sunapee, on pauper case,	2 50
	23.	Searching records on account of Mrs. Bonner's settlement,	75
	26.	1-2 day at office, making juror list,	75
1869.	26.	1-2 day at poor farm, and cash paid out,	90

Jan.	22.	1 day settling with Stephen Austin,	1 50
	27.	1 day self and horse to Hillsborough, to get Bank tax,	2 50
	27.	Cash collecting Bank tax,	56
	27.	Cash paid expenses,	: 75
	30.	1-2 day at office,	75
Feb.	1.	1 day making county pauper bills,	1 50
	8.	1 day at Concord, to present county pauper bills,	1 50
	9.	1 day at Manchester, to collect bank tax,	1 50
	9.	Fare and expenses,	5 60
	9.	Cash paid for Town Officer,	2 50
	9.	" Pamphlet Laws,	75
	10.	1 day self and horse, hiring money,	2 50
	15.	1 day at Poor Farm taking inventory,	1 50
	16.	1 day making check-list and warrant,	1 50
	20.	4 days settling accounts,	6 00
	29.	7 days settling accounts and making re- port,	14 00

\$149.92

*Town of Bradford, to H. K. Martin, for services as Selectman
and cash paid out.*

1868.			DR.
March	14.	1 day at office arranging papers and giv- ing orders,	\$2.00
	21.	1-2 day at office drawing juror,	1.00
	21.	1 day at Concord to purchase stationery,	2.00
	24.	Fare to Concord and back,	2.00
	28.	1-2 day at office giving orders,	1.00
	30.	1-2 day at office giving orders,	1.00
April	4.	4 days taking inventory,	8.00
	6.	1-2 day taking inventory,	1.00
	6.	1-2 day at office copying deaths, births, and marriages,	1.00
	11.	5 days making taxes,	10.00
	18.	6 days making taxes, dividing school money, and making school house tax in District No. 8,	12.00
	20.	1 day making school house tax in Robert Colby's district,	2.00
	21.	1-2 day at office recording school house tax,	1.00

April	23.	2 days making return of taxes for 1867 and 1868,	4.00
	30.	1-2 day distributing surveyor's warrants,	1.00
May	30.	1 day at office, and on new road,	2.00
June	27.	1-2 day at office,	1.00
Aug.	29.	1-2 day at office,	1.00
Sept.	26.	1-2 day at office,	1.00
Oct.	12.	1 day making warrant and check-list,	2.00
	13.	1 day entering receipts and notes,	2.00
	31.	1-2 day correcting check-list,	1.00
Nov.	7.	1 day at office and on new road,	2.00
Dec.	24.	1 day settling with Stephen Austin,	2.00
	26.	1-2 day at office,	1.00
1869.			
Jan.	30.	1-2 day at office,	1.00
Feb.	1.	1-2 day making county pauper bills,	1.00
	15.	1 day taking inventory at Poor Farm,	2.00
	16.	1 day making check-list and warrant,	2.00
	20.	4 days settling accounts,	8.00
	29.	7 days settling accounts and making re- ports,	14.00
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			\$92.00

*Town of Bradford, to R. F. Wheeler, for services as Selectman
and cash paid out.*

1868.			DR.
March	14.	1 day at office returning ratable polls	1.50
	21.	1-2 day appointing treasurer and collector,	.75
	25.	1-2 day hiring agent on Town Farm,	.75
	28.	1-2 day at office,	.75
April	5.	4 days taking inventory,	6.00
	11.	Cash paid for board,	.50
	13.	6 days recording deaths, births and mar- riages, and arranging books to make taxes,	9.00
	20.	6 days making taxes,	9.00
June	27.	1-2 day at office,	.75
July	25.	1-2 day at office,	.75
	25.	Cash paid out,	.90
Aug.	29.	1-2 day at office,	.75
Sept.	19.	1-2 day drawing juror,	.75
	19.	Cash paid out,	.40

Sept.	26.	1-2 day at office and hiring help to work on road,	.75
Oct.	8.	1-2 day on new road,	.75
	10.	1-2 day to Henniker on horse case,	.75
	12.	1 day making check-list and warrant,	1.50
	12.	Cash for board,	.75
Nov.	7.	1-2 day on new road,	.75
	11.	1 day to Henniker on horse case,	1.50
	11.	Horse and wagon,	1.00
	12.	1-2 day on new road,	.75
	12.	Cash paid out,	.75
Dec.	12.	1-2 day drawing juror,	.75
	26.	1-2 day at office,	.75
1869.			
Feb.	1.	1-2 day making county pauper bills,	.75
	15.	1 day at Poor Farm taking inventory,	1.50
	19.	3 days at office,	4.50
	27.	5 days settling accounts and making re- port,	7.50
	27.	Expenses to Warner to get bank tax,	.80
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			\$58.35

A Memorandum showing the standing of the Poor Farm for the year ending March 1, 1869.

We find the Farm chargeable as follows:

To farm as per invoice of 1868,	\$2,000.00
personal property of 1868,	1,769.54
cash paid George Jones, for use of pasture,	50.00
cash paid agent as part of salary,	125.00
cash now due agent,	75.00
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	\$4,019.54

We find the Farm entitled to the following credits:

By farm as per invoice of 1869,	\$2,000.00
personal property as per invoice of 1869.	1,708.35
cash paid into town treasury by J. W. Marshall, agent of Poor Farm,	432.27
cash paid into treasury by James Emery, last year's agent,	25.52
keeping transient paupers,	3.00
due the farm for breaking roads,	2.40
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	\$4,171.54

From the above sum of \$4,171.54 which we find the farm entitled to as a credit, deduct the sum of \$4,019.54 which we find the farm chargeable, and we find the sum of \$152.00 in favor of the farm. The number of paupers supported on the farm the present year is two and one-half.

It also appears from the books of the selectmen that there has been paid for the support of paupers off of the farm the past year, the sum of \$181.21 as follows :

Lois Messer,	\$32.06
William Warde,	15.50
Joseph P. Stiles,	30.00
George Sargent,	14.00
Polly Burchstead and family,	59.65
Mrs. Bonner,	30.00
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	\$181.21

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOSHUA EATON,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
H. K. MARTIN,	
R. F. WHEELER,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Bradford.</i>

*Town of Bradford in account with James Emery, Agent of
Poor Farm, from March 1, to April 1, 1868.*

1868.		CR.
March.	By received of J. S. Morgan, 3 bushs. beans,	\$12.00
	George Andrews, 10 bushels of potatoes,	10.00
	Alvin Johnson, 6½ lbs. butter,	2.17
	J. C. Currier, 3 lbs. butter,	1.00
	Stephen Cressey, 11 lbs. lard,	1.88
	Stephen Cressey, 2½ lbs. cheese,	.38
	Alvin Johnson, 6½ lbs. butter,	2.50
	E. Bailey, for boards,	7.41
	Silas Colby, 2 doz. eggs,	.50
	T. P. Jones, 29 lbs. cheese,	5.22
	J. Emery, breaking roads,	3.56
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		\$46.62

Town of Bradford in account with James Emery. DR.

1868.		
March.	To paid Morse & Blanchard, for lamp wicks,	\$00.09
	C. A. Cressey, for repairing pump,	.15
	Morse & Blanchard, for goods,	.12
	Silas Colby, for tobacco,	.60
	C. A. Cressey, for filing saws,	.90
	Silas Colby, for shoe strings,	.04
	Morse & Blanchard, for flour,	14.00
	Silas Colby, for 3 galls. molasses,	2.25
	Silas Colby, for sugar,	.50
	Silas Colby, for saleratus,	.10
	Nancy Hubbard,	2.35
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		\$21.10

*Town of Bradford in account with J. W. Marshall, Agent of
Poor Farm, from April 1, 1868, to February 22, 1869.*

1868.		CR.
By cash of	George H. Brown, 2 cows,	\$125.00
	D. G. Peasley, 1 cow,	60.00
	George W. Ewings, oxen,	272.50
	Stephen Cressey, 1 bushel of rye,	1.60
	Morse & Blanchard, 4½ doz. eggs,	.99
	W. H. Miller, 5 lbs. lard,	.90

By cash of G. Dunfield, straw,	.20
Silas Wilkins, 74 bushs. potatoes,	74.00
R. F. Wheeler, 1 bushel rye,	1.60
R. Leviston, 1 ham,	4.42
Morse & Blanchard, 4 dozen eggs,	.80
S. E. Foster, 4 qts. peas,	.25
Jewett, 8 qts. peas,	.50
A. Cressey, 2 qts. peas,	.13
E. Hadley, 1 ham,	4.00
Silas Wilkins, 16 $\frac{3}{4}$ bushs. potatoes,	16.75
Windsor Abbott, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush. rye,	2.40
S. R. Warde, labor,	1.75
D. G. Chadwick, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz. eggs,	.70
J. W. Marshall, labor,	5.00
James Craig, 2 doz. eggs,	.40
Horace Hubbard, labor,	10.00
A. Johnson, 1 ham,	4.46
A. Johnson, 1 calf,	14.00
Asa Marshall, $\frac{1}{2}$ bushel rye,	.75
John Hoyt, labor,	1.50
John Hoyt, 23 lbs. pork,	3.83
D. G. Chadwick, straw,	3.22
A. Johnson, 1 bushel potatoes,	.50
Charles Presby, $\frac{1}{2}$ bushel potatoes,	.25
Horace Hubbard, 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs. lard,	.75
S. D. Fuller, 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ doz. eggs,	.69
R. F. Wheeler, labor,	22.00
E. Parker, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz. eggs,	.87
G. B. Andrews, pasturing cattle,	12.50
H. W. Chase, 1 bushel rye,	1.50
R. F. Wheeler, 1 bushel rye,	1.50
D. Proctor, straw,	5.50
T. P. Jones, 1 bushel rye,	1.50
Stephen Cressey, $\frac{1}{2}$ bush. oats,	.38
J. Atword, 1 hoghead,	1.50
Mason Cressey, use of plow,	.50
A. Marshall, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush. oats,	1.13
S. Cressey, pasturing cow,	5.00
S. Cressey, pasturing calf,	.30
S. Cressey, labor,	.67
Fanny Presby, 10 lbs. lard,	2.20
A. Cressey, pasturing colts,	12.00
Sawyer & Martin, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ bushs. beans,	10.09

By cash of A. Marshall, labor,	3.00
C. A. Cressey, milk,	.05
C. A. Cressey, use of plow,	.50
C. A. Cressey, labor,	.75
Joshua Butman, labor,	5.00
R. Muzzey, 1 steer,	36.00
Stephen Cressey, labor,	5.00
J. W. Marshall, labor,	10.00
Amount received for cheese,	52.93
butter,	99.07
Morse & Blanchard, produce,	21.15
Sawyer & Martin, do.	34.25
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	\$960.68

*Town of Bradford in account with J. W. Marshall, Agent of
Poor Farm.* Dr.

To Morse & Blanchard, grass seed,	\$6.37
Morse & Blanchard, 6½ lbs. sugar,	.99
D. D. Butman, 1 yoke oxen,	215.00
Silas Colby, tobacco,	.45
E. Smith, 1 tun hay,	20.00
Morse & Blanchard, goods,	.80
C. R. Nichols, medicine,	.10
D. & W. A. Carr, shovel,	1.42
B. Farrington, wheelbarrow,	4.00
J. W. Marshall, 142 lbs. tallow,	10.80
French & Tucker, repairing tin,	.35
Sawyer & Martin, fish,	.45
C. B. Nichols, garden seeds,	.25
D. & W. A. Carr, goods,	1.76
James Craig, mop handle,	.40
Sawyer & Martin, seed corn,	.40
Sawyer & Martin, goods,	1.88
True Eaton, rennet skin,	.34
D. & W. A. Carr, scythe,	1.25
H. H. Colby, fork handle,	.20
A. Johnson, veal,	1.40
C. A. Cressey, repairing fork,	.20
J. Jewett, rennet skins,	.50
Mason Cressey, 2 pigs,	6.00
C. B. Nichols, medicine,	.75
S. E. Foster, labor,	30.00

To Sawyer & Martin, 1 bbl. flour,	12.00
D. F. Hoyt, labor,	10.00
Mason Cressey, labor,	10.00
William Marsh, mending shoes,	.30
D. & W. A. Carr, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. tea,	.67
G. B. Andrews, making cider,	1.25
plow points,	2.35
D. & W. A. Carr, indigo,	.16
Sawyer & Martin, 1 bbl. flour,	11.50
D. & W. A. Carr, $3\frac{1}{4}$ yds. denims,	.84
Morse & Blanchard, goods,	.35
G. S. Morgan, beef,	.86
Silas Colby, 1 seive,	.25
Silas Colby, 1 lb. rosin,	.08
Job Atkins, labor,	.50
Mason Cressey, labor,	.50
S. Cressey, labor,	.45
French & Tucker, repairing tin,	.18
D. H. Hartshorn,	3.00
Wadleigh & Seavey, sawing,	1.26
G. B. Andrews,	1.00
Sawyer & Martin, 1 bbl. flour,	11.50
Walter Coburn, 1 cow,	40.50
William Marsh, use of saw,	.25
Peter Benton, filing saws,	.60
A. Marshall, tallow,	2.27
C. A. Cressey, 1 lb. rolls,	.60
C. A. Cressey, filing saws,	.65
B. Farrington, blacksmith bill,	13.08
Morse & Blanchard, goods,	21.15
Sawyer & Martin, goods,	34.25

\$487.91

R E P O R T

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

In submitting my report of the common schools in this town, I am happy to be able to bear favorable testimony to the general efficiency of the teachers, and the excellency of the schools. However great the deficiency may still be, there are many evidences of befitting qualifications in the teachers, and of improvement in the schools, which place them far in advance of former years. Teachers and scholars seemed to have mutual confidence in each other, and to have worked faithfully together to accomplish the great end of common schools in enlarging the capacity of the mind and fitting it for the high duties and destiny of life.

For the better improvement of our schools, your committee would suggest that the parents take greater interest in the education of their children. *See to it that your own children behave well while at school.* The order of a school depends more upon the parents than most people seem to think. The old rule among many families, "Get whipped at school, get whipped at home," was not so bad after all. It was right in spirit, at least, for if children know that their delinquencies at school will be sternly rebuked at home, they will be far less disposed to make trouble. It is the height of folly to reverse this rule as many do, and listen to every little grief of the child, and side with him in every trifling complaint against the teacher. Hear all sides first; and even then, it is better to suffer some wrong than have the child know that you blame the teacher. More trouble in schools arise from a disregard of these plain considerations than from any other cause.

Provide your children with all needed books! Without them, your children will make but little improvement. *Have your children study at home, and help them!* In difference of practice with parents in this respect, lies, in most cases, the great difference of scholarship among children. Not that the child should bend over his books all the time at home; but that he should be surrounded by them. He should see them, feel

their influence, *be drawn to them*, by living in contact with them. Many a parent makes a fatal mistake here. He sends his children to school, pays liberally for the select schools or academy, and takes all possible pains in all these respects, but provides not a book, nor paper, nor map, for their instruction at home. Such are almost always complaining of their dull children. It could not be otherwise.

Home is where the child lives, and where his mind and habits of thought are formed, and if he finds nothing there to awake him to study, nothing to kindle his curiosity or attract him towards books and papers, he certainly will not be very likely to become fond of study, or to give much aptitude at learning.

Parents should take pains to visit their schools to ascertain their discipline or probable efficiency. Until a new policy is inaugurated in this particular, our schools will never reach that proud eminence which is their manifest destiny. And if parents, by not attending to this matter, shall permit their children to be subjected to bad influences, or be incorrectly educated at school, they may find, years hence, as they gaze upon a wayward and ruined child, made so by their neglect, that these friendly hints may come up as swift witnesses against them, and help to fill up their cup of sorrow.

Our common schools, while they are the nation's security and the patriot's hope, are, nevertheless, the property of every man in town, and the vastness of their influence requires our most earnest solicitude and fostering care. Your committee most earnestly appeals to every citizen to do all he can to educate and improve our common schools. Let us cherish them as the most important of all our institutions, as most deserving the patronage and support of the whole community. Let us remember that the influences which cluster around our children in the school-room, never cease their operations, that they last our children through life, into the distance of eternity. If this be true, what great responsibilities rest with you, and how faithfully ought they to be performed.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Summer Term—Taught by Miss N. A. Butman. An excellent teacher, well qualified to teach thoroughly the elementary branches. Good progress. Satisfaction given.

Winter Term—Mr. H. F. Brown, teacher. This was Mr. B.'s first school, and he gave very good satisfaction. Though he may have failed in some points, yet, with more experience, will make one of our first teachers. Let the scholars in this district cultivate habits of study.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Summer Term—Teacher, Miss E. M. Eaton. An efficient

teacher. The school made good progress, and appeared to have been well conducted in every respect.

Winter Term—Miss N. A. Butman, teacher. Miss B. conducted this school with her usual good success. Order and improvement good. In this school there are some very good scholars.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Summer Term—Taught by Miss H. M. Hoyt. This school made a good degree of progress; but, with a little more thoroughness in some branches taught, the improvement would have been better.

Winter Term—Miss M. E. Howlett, teacher. This term was very successful, and Miss H. has proved herself to be a thorough and industrious teacher. Improvement and order good.

DISTRICT No. 5.

Fall Term—Teacher, Miss H. M. Hoyt, who had an earnest desire to be useful, and succeeded in making improvement in this school. Order good.

DISTRICT No. 6.

Summer Term—Taught by Miss L. L. Brown. A pleasant and interesting school. This school made good improvement under the instruction of Miss B., who gave very good satisfaction.

Winter Term—Mr. Moses Martin, teacher. A teacher of competent education and superior qualifications for a successful teacher. The progress made in the various branches was commendable to both teacher and pupils.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Summer Term—The first nine weeks of this term were taught by Miss Kate J. Presby, with very good success. With more experience, Miss P. will make one of our best teachers.

The term was completed by Miss Nellie R. Brockway, a teacher of much merit.

Winter Term—Miss N. R. Brockway, teacher. This term is not yet closed; but, judging from the qualifications of the teacher and the observations made at my visit, I have no doubt that the term will be profitable, and the progress compare favorably with the other schools in town.

DISTRICT No. 8—UNION WITH WARNER.

Summer Term—Miss P. E. Jones, teacher. The method of instruction and discipline was, we believe, just right, and the progress made was real and substantial. The scholars of this school deserve great credit, and the teacher high rank.

Winter Term—This school was under the instruction of Mr. James M. Presby, an experienced and faithful teacher, whose moral example was salutary. Mr. P. was an earnest and laborious worker, and his method of instruction was thorough, systematic and practical. The school was a profitable one.

DISTRICT No. 10.

Fall Term—Miss L. F. Gerry, teacher. Miss G. labored with great energy for the improvement of this school, and succeeded well. Order good.

DISTRICT No. 11.

Fall Term—Teacher, Miss Ellen M. Eaton. Miss E. maintained her reputation as being one of our most successful teachers. The ambition and talent of many of the scholars in this school are of a high order, and the progress was good and rapid.

DISTRICT No. 12—UNION WITH NEWBURY.

Summer Term—This term was taught by Mrs. E. C. Eaton. Your committee considers this as one of the best schools of the past year. The teacher was eminently successful in every particular necessary to a perfect school, and the progress made was correspondingly good. The scholars obedient, desirous to do well, and merit the approbation of their teacher and friends.

Winter Term—Mr. John W. Fisher, teacher. The progress made was very good, and no failure was noticed of sufficient importance to merit a remark. As in the Summer term, the scholars were attentive to their studies. The parents in this district have manifested a desire for the improvement of their schools, and the advancement of their children seldom excelled. For the benefit of all concerned, your committee will add a few words from the remarks of the teacher:

The teacher would say that after reading the report of the last Winter term, he was agreeably disappointed in finding a pleasant school, kind and hospitable parents, and scholars respectful, courteous and eager to learn.

With these frank statements and suggestions for the benefit of the schools of this town, I close this, my report, desiring that the same respect and ready co-operation, which I have received from many friends, will be given to my successor.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

S. D. SMITH, *Superintending Committee.*

BRADFORD, March 1, 1869.

TABULAR STATEMENT.

No. of Districts.	Summer and Winter terms.	Names of Prudential Committee.	Wages of teachers a month, including board.	Whole No. of scholars.	Average attendance.	No. of scholars between 4 and 14 not attending.	No. of visits by S. S. Committee.	No. of visits by Prud. Committee.	No. of visits by citizens.	Length of school in weeks.
1	Summer.	H. M. Dow.....	\$19.00	22	10	2	2	0	30	10
	Winter..		32.00	26	21	1	3	0	30	12
2	Summer.	Dea. E. Smith.....	20.00	15	13	4	2	0	17	8 ¹ / ₂
	Winter..		25.80	19	15	0	2	0	20	12
3	Summer.	John Howlett, 2d.....	13.00	14	9	3	3	1	40	11
	Winter..		25.45	22	16	3	3	1	18	11
5	Fall term	J. W. Ward.....	19.00	13	10	0	2	2	37	13
6	Summer.		10.00	19	17	0	2	2	23	15
	Winter..	Albert Eaton.....	†20.00	17	14	1	2	0	5	12
7	Summer	Parker M. Craig.....	7.50	4	3	1	2	0	15	15
	Winter*		14.00	5	4	0	1	2	6	16
8	Summer.	T. Palmer, Bradford.....	21.00	7	5	0	2	4	2	9
	Winter..	Frank Melvin, Warner.....	38.00	14	12	0	2	0	20	12
10	Fall term	W. D. Sawyer.....	21.00	13	9	2	2	0	4	14
11	Fall term	E. Foster.....	33.00	14	13	3	2	0	31	11
12	Summer.	M. W. Peaslee, Newbury.....	12.75	3	2	0	2	0	16	9
	Winter..		35.00	4	3	0	2	0	24	12

Union with Warner.

Union with Newbury.

*Exclusive of board.

†Reported to Feb. 22.



